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Mr. Joseph J. Holonich, Director Repository Licensing & Quality Assurance Project Directorate Division of High-Level Waste Management Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Holonich:

You requested, in your letter dated July 26, 1993, a copy of the NUFT computer code. The NUFT computer code has not been developed using Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Project Office (YMPO) funding, nor was it developed specifically for applications on the Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Project (YMP). John Nitao of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) is the principal developer of NUFT. This code has been used to carry out some YMP-specific transport calculations to determine its feasibility for YMP applications. At this time, we do not know whether NUFT will be added to the suite of codes that is used by YMP.

As part of the U.S. Department of Energy's Technology Transfer initiative, a version of NUFT will be released through LLNL late in calendar year 1993. You may obtain a copy of this version of the code by directly contacting John Nitao or LLNL in December 1993. The version of the code available in December 1993 will not be in compliance with YMPO software quality assurance verification and validation requirements.

If you have any questions, contact Corinne Macaluso of my staff at (202) 586-2837.

Sincerely,

John P. Roberts, Director

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